

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW
U.S. Application No. 10/527,064

Atty. Docket No. Q86756

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Submitted herewith please find five (5) new sheets of drawings (FIGS. 1-5) in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. The examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of these new drawings.

Attachment: Five (5) new sheets of drawings (FIGS. 1-5)

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are all the claims pending in the application.

As requested by the examiner at page 2 of the Office Action, Applicants have amended the application by deleting the structural formulas from pages 30-34 of the specification and submitting new FIGS. 1-5 containing the same structural formulas. Other amendments to the specification reflect the fact that the structural formulas from pages 30-34 are deleted and that new FIGS. 1-5 are included in the application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii), the full text of newly added paragraphs is shown without any underlining.

Applicants have amended Claim 1 by deleting therefrom “[]_m” of formula (1), “[]_n” of formula (4) and “[]_n” of formula (5), as well as the corresponding text.

No new matter is added.

I. STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicants provide the following comments as a statement of substance of interview.

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: N/A.

2. Identification of claims discussed: Claim 1.

3. Identification of art discussed: None.

4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: Solely for purposes of expediting prosecution, Applicants discussed amending the application by: deleting the structural formulas from pages 30-34 of the specification and submitting new FIGS. 1-5 containing the same structural formulas; and amending Claim 1 by deleting therefrom “[]_m” of formula (1), “[]_n” of formula (4) and “[]_n” of formula (5), as well as the corresponding text.

5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: There is no requirement in the code of regulations to delete the compound structures appearing on pages 30-34 and to submit them

instead as formal drawings. 37 C.F.R. § 1.58 specifically states that the specification may contain chemical formulas.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: None.
7. Results of Interview: Agreement was reached.

The instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

II. RESPONSE TO OBJECTIONS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Referring to page 2 of the Office Action, the examiner requests that the specification be revised to include a cross-reference to related applications.

In response, Applicants have amended the specification as requested by the examiner.

At page 2 of the Office Action, the examiner also requests that the compound structures which appear on pages 30-34 be deleted and submitted instead as formal drawings.

In response, Applicants have amended the application by deleting the structural formulas from pages 30-34 of the specification and submitting new FIGS. 1-5 containing the same structural formulas.

Withdrawal of the objections is requested.

III. RESPONSE TO REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Referring to page 2 of the Office Action, Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. According to the examiner, the definition of the term “connecting group” (both instances) is unclear, and the identity of the two connected moieties (again, both instances) is unclear.

In order to expedite prosecution, Applicants have amended Claim 1 by deleting therefrom, without prejudice or disclaimer, “[]_m” of formula (1), “[]_n” of formula (4) and “[]_n” of formula (5), as well as the corresponding text.

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Withdrawal of the §112 rejection is requested.

IV. CONCLUSION

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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